



UB Highlights

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News & Events for November 1-15, 2017

Late But Great

Information on the following was too late for the previous issue of Highlights, but you can still attend.

Invited Biology Speaker Wednesday, Oct. 26, 12:25 p.m.

Dr. **Konstantinos Drosatos**, assistant professor in pharmacology in the Center for Metabolic Disease Research at Temple University, will speak on "Myocardial Metabolism: A Platform for Interventions that Alleviate Cardiac Dysfunction in Various Diseases," sponsored by the Biology Department. Charles Dana Hall, Room 107. All are welcome.

Necessary Voices

Thursday, November 9, 4:30 p.m.

Emily Larned, associate professor of graphic design, will speak on "Making Public, Making A Public: Publishing as Socially Engaged Art," in the Schelfhaudt Gallery of the Bernhard Center. Everyone is invited to attend this final Necessary Voices lecture of the fall season. For more information, email dkrumrey@bridgeport.edu.



Executive Speakers Series

Thursday, Nov. 9, 5:30 p.m.

The Ernest C. Trefz School of Business presents **Fran Pastore**, president and CEO of the Women's Business Development Council, speaking on "Empowered Women Empower Women – Female Entrepreneurship on the Rise," in Mandeville Room 104. Refreshments are offered 5:30-6, followed by the presentation and Q&A. All are welcome, but RSVP to ezoppi@bridgeport.edu, or 203-576-4384.



Purple Knights

Home Athletic Events

November 1-15, 2017

Men's Basketball

Nov. 3 (Fri.), 7 p.m., Fairfield @ Alumni Hall, at Fairfield University (Exhibition)

Nov. 11 (Sat.), 6 p.m., Pace @ Hubbell Gym (UB Conference Crossover Classic)

Nov. 12 (Sun.), 6 p.m., Adelphi @ Hubbell Gym (UB Conference Crossover Classic)

Volleyball (Women's)

Nov. 7 (Tues.), 7p.m., LIU Post @ Hubbell Gym

Women's Basketball

Nov. 11 (Sat.), 4 p.m., St. Michael's @ Hubbell Gym (UB Conference Crossover Classic)

Nov. 12 (Sun.), 4 p.m., Southern Connecticut @ Hubbell Gym (UB Conference Crossover Classic)

Women's Swimming

Nov. 4 (Sat.), 1 p.m., LIU Post @ Wheeler Recreation Center

Information Sessions

Register online and find more information about the following in the Events section at www.bridgeport.edu:

Transfers to UB (Waterbury programs)

Waterbury Center, 84 Progress Lane, **Wednesday, November 1, 6-7 p.m.**

School of Education (Waterbury programs)

Waterbury Center, 84 Progress Lane, **Thursday, November 2, 6-7 p.m.**

Nursing, BSN

Wahlstrom Library, 6th floor, **Tuesday, November 7, 3-4 p.m.**

Acupuncture Institute

UB Clinic, Room 301, **Thursday, November 9, 5:30-6:30 p.m.**

Art Discussion

Saturday, Nov. 11, 2-3:30 p.m.

A panel of artists will discuss the “Align-able Angles (degrees of points of view)” paintings, sculptures, and installations now being shown in the Schelfhaudt Gallery of the Bernhard Center. Free and open to all.



Graduate Health Sciences Fall Open House

Saturday, Nov. 11, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Students interested in the health sciences are invited to an open house in Wahlstrom Library providing information regarding the application process and program details for Acupuncture, Chinese Herbology, Chiropractic, Dental Hygiene (M.S.), Doctor of Health Sciences, Naturopathic Medicine, Nutrition, Physician Assistant, and Traditional Chinese Medicine. Register online.



Undergrad Open House 2

Sunday, Nov. 12, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Those interested in attending the University of Bridgeport may get acquainted with UB’s campus, students, faculty and staff at an open house beginning in the Bernhard Center. Events include a continental breakfast reception, an admissions presentation, a campus tour, a faculty “meet and greet,” a chat with current UB students, a residence hall tour, and a financial aid presentation. Register online.



Academic Advising Center

The Academic Advising Center (AAC), located on the 5th floor of Wahlstrom Library, offers information sessions and workshops for students. The following are scheduled, all in Wahlstrom 500C, 12:20-1:20 p.m.:

- **Registration Prep/Student Planning.** Thursday, November 2
- **Financial Literacy.** Tuesday, November 7
- **Public Speaking/How to Present.** Thursday, November 9
- **Interviewing.** Tuesday, November 14
- **Health Services Workshop 3.** Wednesday, November 15

IN MEMORIAM

The University is saddened to announce the passing of two esteemed members of the Board of Trustees:

Morton A. Kaplan served on the Board from 1992 until 2014. A World War II veteran, Kaplan was the distinguished service professor emeritus of political science and former chair of the Committee on International Relations at the University of Chicago. He was widely recognized as one of the world’s leading international-relations scholars. In his book *System and Process in International Politics*, Kaplan introduced a scientific framework for studying international systems. He served on the advisory board of the *Washington Times* and consulted for the National Endowment for the Humanities. Kaplan passed away on September 27 at the age of 96.

Phillip V. Sanchez served on the Board from 1992 until 2015. Sanchez served as the U.S. ambassador to Honduras and as assistant director of the Office of Economic Opportunity during the administrations of Presidents Nixon, Ford, and Reagan. His first foray into politics was in the 1960s, when he served as a board member of the Clovis (California) Unified School District. He dedicated 40 years of his life to military service and rose to the rank of colonel in the Army Reserves. He also served as publisher of the *New York Tribune* and *Noticias del Mundo*. Sanchez passed away on October 16 at the age of 88.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR GRADUATE/UNDERGRADUATE

Friday, November 3:

Last Day to Withdraw from Classes

Tuesday, November 14:

Last Day to Apply for December Graduation

UB ACHIEVEMENTS & HONORS

STUDENTS & ALUMNI

EDUCATION

Melissa Romano '02, '03, was recently named 2018 Montana Teacher of the Year. In 2013, she received the National Science Foundation President's Award for Excellence in Mathematics for her work as a K-8 math coach and as an elementary math and science teacher. The 2013 award was presented at the White House.

PAI Students Volunteer

Nine first-year Physician Assistant Institute students participated in the fourth annual Path of Hope 5K Walk/Run for the Connecticut Brain Tumor Alliance (CTBTA) on October 1, in Mystic. UB students assisted in registering participants, navigating the course, and decorating a wishing well for caregivers, patients, and survivors.

CTBTA is a nonprofit dedicated to raising funds to support brain tumor research, patient assistance for families facing financial hardship, specialized medical equipment for improved diagnosis and treatment, and outreach and awareness efforts. **Aisha Khan**, assistant professor of health science in the Physician Assistant Institute, is the Greater New Haven Ambassador for the CTBTA.

Sikorsky Family Day

UB Engineering students joined with Sikorsky employees and their families at an October 14 event celebrating the wonders of flight. Our students, advised by Mechanical Engineering Professor **Jani Pallis**, led a hands-on STEM-oriented activity. Fourteen faculty, staff, and student volunteers built "Magnus Fliers" with rubber bands, cups, and tape to demonstrate the Magnus aerodynamic phenomena that are observed in spinning spheres or cylinders where the flight path curves. These phenomena have applications in sports balls, ballistics, aircraft, and rotor ships.

FACULTY & STAFF

BUSINESS

Nikki Wingate, assistant professor of marketing, co-authored a paper titled, "Narrow, Powerful, and Public: The Influence of Brand Breadth in the Luxury Market," which was published in the October 2017 issue of the *Journal of Brand Management*.

Carrie Picardi, assistant professor of management, has been appointed to the Board of Directors of the Urban League of Southern Connecticut.

ENGINEERING

Buket D. Barkana, associate professor of electrical engineering, and **Inci Saricicek**, associate professor of industrial engineering at Eskisehir Osmangazi University, Turkey, have published an article titled, "Classification of Breast Masses in Mammograms Using 2d Homomorphic Transform Features and Supervised Classifiers" for the *Journal of Medical Imaging and Health Informatics*.

Larry V. Hmurcik, professor of electrical engineering, was interviewed on the TV show "Good Morning America." He discussed the case of a child who was burned after putting the end of a plugged-in phone charger into her mouth. Hmurcik explained how the burns she suffered took only one to five minutes to affect skin and soft tissue after the initial electric current numbed the nerves.

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT INSTITUTE

Theresa Horvath, program director, was published in the anniversary issue of the *Journal of Physician Assistant Education*. Her article, "Promoting Diversity to Eliminate Health Disparities," was co-authored with Harry Pomeranz.

SASD

Alex White, associate professor and chair of the Master of Professional Studies in Design Management program, was a panelist at Fordham Law School's "Building Bridges: How Can Media Facilitate Dialogue in our Polarized Society?" The event took place on October 24 to mark *Living City Magazine's* 50th year of publication. Prof. White promoted "design thinking" to address social problems.

Did we miss something? *UB Highlights* is published twice monthly during the academic year and monthly in January, June, and July to inform the University community about UB events and achievements. To comment or to list your event or award, e-mail Rebecca Salonen, UBHighlights@bridgeport.edu, or call x4988.